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Lt. General Vernon A. Walters
Deputy Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear General Walters:

On behalf of the members of the Yale Political Union, it is my distinct pleasure to invite you to be our guest at Yale during the coming academic year.

As I hope you are aware -- I optimistically believe our reputation has spread -- the Political Union is a non-partisan forum for political debate and discussion. It is by far the largest and most active student organization on campus, and probably the most diverse as well: virtually every possible political viewpoint is represented in its membership. Each year, the Union hosts a number of speakers of national and international stature, as an integral part of our program to promote a continuous dialogue at Yale on important issues of current interest. A few who joined us last year are Archibald Cox, Gore Vidal, Abba Eban, Brendan Byrne, Clarence Kelley, Gloria Steinem, and Hubert Humphrey; the breadth and diversity of the Union's speaker program is evident. We would be honored to have you join this distinguished list in the coming months.

Arrangements with our guest speakers are tailored to provide all involved with the most worthwhile experience possible. A typical schedule might include an afternoon press conference with area media or a seminar-style discussion with students, a reception and dinner with members of the Union and the Yale community, and an evening address on a topic of mutual interest, followed by a question-and-answer discussion period. The entire format is, of course, very flexible, depending on individual scheduling needs. As to specific dates, almost any evening, Sunday through Thursday, between September 10 and December 15, or possibly after New Year, is convenient to the Union. We will, of course, reimburse your travel expenses and provide overnight accommodations, if you so desire.

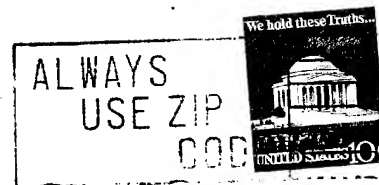
Should you have any questions about the Union or the arrangements, please feel free to contact me at the above address or, after September 1, by phone in New Haven: 203-777-4343. I look forward to hearing from you, and hope to have the honor and pleasure of welcoming you to Yale this fall.

Sincerely yours,

Michael K. Stone
President

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MEMORANDUM FOR: General Walters

Mr. Thuermer said he has met with Mr. Stone who is extending the attached invitation. He had lunch with him when Stone invited Mr. Colby to go to the Yale Political Union. Thuermer said this is the place Gen Westmoreland went but couldn't get a word out because of the heckling. He ~~xxxxxxxx~~ advises against your going.

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